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SUBJECT: BOLIVIAN REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS TO GSP

REFS: (A) STATE 210386, (B) STATE 222387

1. PRODUCTS NUMBERED 7-19 IN REF A WHICH WERE REQUESTED
IN DIPLOMATIC NOTES FROM BOLIVIAN EMBASSY ARE HANDICRAFT
ITEMS WHICH ARE DESCRIBED ONLY IN GENERAL TERMS. IT WILL
BE NECESSARY FOR BOLIVIA TO GIVE US MUCH MORE DETAILED
DESCRIPTIONS, PREFEREABLY TSUS NUMBERS, BEFORE USG INTER-
AGENCY GROUP CAN CONSIDER THESE ITEMS FOR POSSIBLE ADDITION
TO GSP. DEPT OFF WILL CALL BOLIVIAN EMBASSY HERE WITH
FURTHER EXPLANATION. PLEASE INFORM GOB OFFICIALS SIMILARLY.
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2. EMBASSY SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT GSP PRODUCT ELIGIBILITY IS
GRANTED TO SPECIFIC PRODUCTS AS CLASSIFIED IN THE TSUS, AND
THAT PRODUCTS MUST BE IDENTIFIED AS SUCH OR DESCRIBED IN
ENOUGH DETAIL SO THAT PROPER TSUS CLASSIFICATIONS CAN BE
ASSIGNED TO THEM. WHERE TSUS NUMBER IS NOT AVAILABLE, BTN
NUMBER AND/OR DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION WOULD BE HELPFUL.

WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE MIGHT BE CASES WHERE A BOLIVIAN PRODUCER HAS NO EXPORTING EXPERIENCE AND WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO PROVIDE SUITABLY DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS CAPABLE

OF IDENTIFICATION WITH TSUS NUMBERS. IN THAT CASE, US CUSTOMS EXPERTS IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE WILLING TO LOOK AT SAMPLES OF THE PRODUCTS IN QUESTION TO DETERMINE THEIR PROPER CLASSIFICATION. HOWEVER, THIS CLASSIFICATION PROCESS ON THE BASIS OF SAMPLES IS, OF COURSE, VERY TIME-CONSUMING AND US CUSTOMS WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ANSWER TO THE GOB REGARDING THE PROPER CLASSIFICATION NUMBER FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

3. P ES" NOTE THAT THE TRADE ACT PROHIBITS THE DESIGNATION OF "TEXTILE AND APPAREL ARTICLES WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO TEXTILE AGREEMENTS" IN SECTION 503(C)(1)(A). MOST TEXTILE PRODUCTS OF ALPACA AND LLAMA ARE CURRENTLY CONTROLLED BY BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENTS BECAUSE THEY ARE PART OF TSUS CATEGORIES WHICH DO NOT REPEAT NOT DISTINGUISH ITEMS BY FIBER. THEREFORE, DESCRIPTIONS OF TEXTILE ITEMS WOULD IN GENERAL NEED TO BE EVEN MORE DETAILED THAN OTHER TYPES OF PRODUCTS IN ORDER TO PRECISELY DETERMINE WHETHER THOSE PRODUCTS ARE CONTROLLED BY BILATERAL AGREEMENTS, AND IF SO, WHETHER SUCH A CONTROLLED CATEGORY COULD BE REDEFINED TO EXCLUDE THE PARTICULAR PRODUCT OF INTEREST TO BOLIVIA. A CLASSIFICATION BY SEVEN-DIGIT TSUS NUMBER WOULD NORMALLY UNCLASSIFIED

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BE NECESSARY FOR TEXTILE PRODUCTS, WHEREAS A CLASSIFICATION BY FIVE-DIGIT TSUS NUMBER WOULD USUALLY BE SUFFICIENT FOR NON-TEXTILE ITEMS. VANCE

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